

# *TRAINING & EDUCATION*



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Missouri has many educational and training opportunities. Programs vary in length, location, cost, eligibility requirements and career focus – whatever your interest, Missouri has a program or school for you. Use this information as a guide only. Once you’ve found the program, school or military career right for you, search the Internet, visit career centers, network with friends and alumni, and seek out school counselors, career counselors, mentors and teachers.

### MISSOURI EDUCATION AND CAREER HOTLINK (MECH)

*For a list of educational institutions offering post-secondary education (2 & 4 year public and private schools, technical/professional schools, and private proprietary schools), visit the MECH at:*

**[www.greathires.org/mech/](http://www.greathires.org/mech/)**

Program information for each institution is listed by program name, degree type, course length, and cost information as well as an interactive map to the school location and links to each school’s individual website. Occupational career information presented includes wage data and projected employment trends by state and region.

**Also included in this site are the following searches:**

- Search for institutions by program and city name
- Search for institutions by occupation
- Search by institution name
- Search by program name

**Workforce Information by occupation:**

- Fastest growing
- Most openings

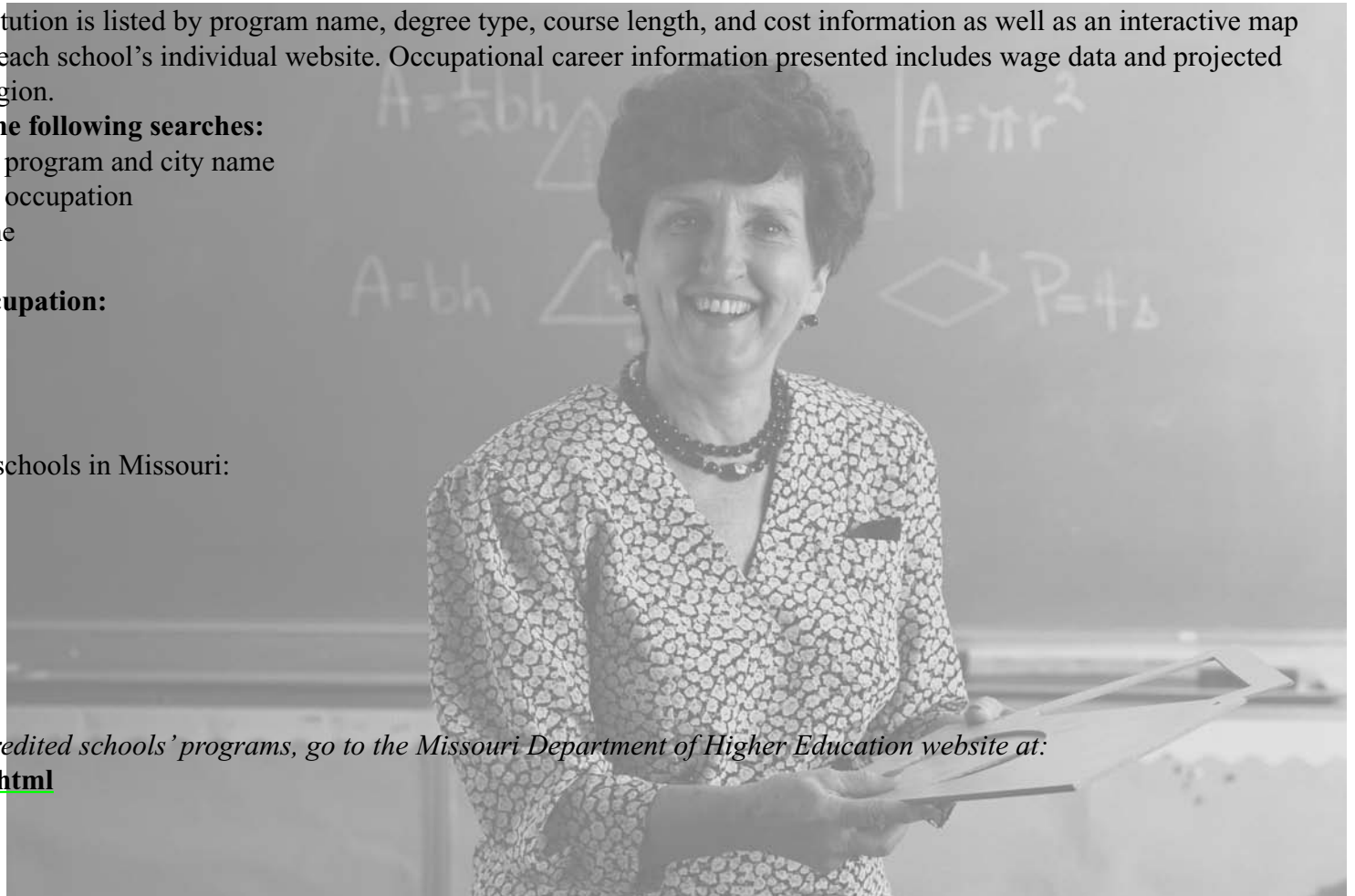
### SCHOOL TYPES

There are seven different types of schools in Missouri:

- Professional/Technical
- Independent two-year
- Independent four-year
- Public two-year
- Public four-year
- Theological
- Proprietary.

*For a complete listing of each accredited schools’ programs, go to the Missouri Department of Higher Education website at:*

**[www.dhe.mo.gov/degreesearch.shtml](http://www.dhe.mo.gov/degreesearch.shtml)**



## ***PROFESSIONAL/TECHNICAL***

These degree and non-degree granting institutions' programs are designed to prepare students for direct entry into the workforce. Missouri's professional and technical institutions have a very strong focus on health care—a field with strong growth and excellent prospects.

A.T. Still Univ. of Health Sciences  
800 West Jefferson St.  
Kirksville, MO 63501  
(866) 626-2878  
<http://www.kcom.edu>

Cleveland Chiropractic College  
6401 Rockhill Road  
Kansas City, MO 64131  
(800) 467-CCKC  
<http://www.clevelandchiropractic.edu>

Jewish Hospital College of Nursing and Allied Health  
306 South Kings Highway  
St. Louis, MO 63110  
(314) 454-7055  
<http://www.jhconah.edu>

Kansas City Art Institute  
4415 Warwick Boulevard  
Kansas City, MO 64111  
(816) 474-5224  
<http://www.kcai.edu>

Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences  
1750 Independence Boulevard  
Kansas City, MO 64106  
<http://www.uhs.edu>

Cox College of Nursing and Health Sciences  
1423 N. Jefferson Avenue  
Springfield, MO 65802  
(417) 269-3175  
<http://www.coxcollege.edu>

Logan College of Chiropractic  
1851 Schoettler Rd.  
Chesterfield, MO 63017-5529  
(800) 782-3344  
<http://www.logan.edu>

Ranken Technical College  
4431 Finney Avenue  
St. Louis, MO 63113  
(866) 4-RANKEN  
<http://www.ranken.edu>

Southeast Missouri Hospital College of Nursing & Health Sciences  
2001 William Street  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701  
(573) 334-6825  
<http://www.southeastmissourihospital.com/college>

St. Louis College of Pharmacy  
4588 Parkview Place  
St. Louis, MO 63110  
(800) 2-STLCOP  
<http://www.stlcop.edu>



## ***INDEPENDENT TWO-YEAR***

These schools, known as private schools, are mainly supported by private funds and feature programs that traditionally take two years to complete.

Cotter College  
1000 W. Austin  
Nevada, MO 64772  
(417) 667-8181  
<http://www.cotter.edu>

An independent, residential, liberal arts and sciences college for women.

Wentworth Military Academy  
1880 Washington Avenue  
Lexington, MO 64067  
(800) 962-7682  
<http://www.wma1880.org>

A coed boarding military school and junior college.

## ***INDEPENDENT FOUR-YEAR***

These schools, known also as private schools, are mainly supported by private funds, whose programs traditionally take four years to complete. Missouri has some of the best independent institutions in the world, like the world-class Washington University.

Avila University  
11901 Wornall Road  
Kansas City, MO 64145  
(816) 942-8400  
<http://www.avila.edu>

Central Methodist University  
Church Street  
Fayette, MO 65248  
(877) CMU-1854  
<http://www.centralmethodist.edu>

College of The Ozarks  
Point Lookout, MO 65726  
(800) 222-0525  
<http://www.cofo.edu>

Columbia College  
1001 Rogers Street  
Columbia, MO 65216  
(573) 875-8700  
<http://www.ccis.edu>

Culver-Stockton College  
#1 College Hill  
Canton, MO 63435  
(573) 288-6000  
<http://www.culver.edu>

Drury University  
900 N. Benton Avenue  
Springfield, MO 65802  
(417) 873-7879  
<http://www.drury.edu/home>

Evangel University  
1111 N. Glenstone  
Springfield, MO 65802  
(417) 865-2815  
<http://www.evangel.edu>

Fontbonne University  
6800 Wydown Boulevard  
St. Louis, MO 63105  
(314) 862-3456  
<http://www.fontbonne.edu>

Hannibal-La Grange College  
2800 Palmyra Road  
Hannibal, MO 63401  
(573) 221-3675  
<http://www.hlg.edu/default.asp>

Lindenwood University  
209 South Kings Highway  
St. Charles, MO 63301  
(636) 949-4949  
<http://www.lindenwood.edu>

Maryville University of Saint Louis  
13550 Conway Road  
St. Louis, MO 63141  
(800) 627-9855  
<http://www.maryville.edu>

Missouri Baptist University  
12542 Conway Road  
St. Louis, MO 63141  
(314) 414-1115  
<http://www.mobap.edu>

Missouri Valley College  
P.O. Box 1000  
Marshall, MO 65340  
(660) 831-4000  
<http://www.moval.edu>

Park University  
8700 Riverpark Drive  
Parkville, MO 64152  
(816) 741-2000  
<http://www.park.edu>

Rockhurst University  
1100 Rockhurst Road  
Kansas City, MO 64110  
(816) 501-4000  
<http://www.rockhurst.edu>

Saint Louis University  
221 N. Grand Avenue  
St. Louis, MO 63103  
(800) SLU FOR U  
<http://www.slu.edu>

Southwest Baptist University  
1600 University Avenue  
Bolivar, MO 65613  
(417) 328-5281  
<http://www.sbuniv.edu>

Stephens College  
1200 E. Broadway  
Columbia, MO 65215  
(573) 422-2211  
<http://www.stephens.edu>

Washington University  
One Brookings Drive  
St. Louis, MO 63130  
(314) 935-6000  
<http://www.wustl.edu>  
Washington University's medical school  
was recently ranked No. 3 in the nation;  
the university itself tied for No. 11 by *U.S.*  
*News & World Report*.

Webster University  
470 East Lockwood  
St. Louis, MO 63119  
314) 968-6900  
<http://www.websteruniv.edu>

Westminster College  
501 Westminster Avenue  
Fulton, MO 65251  
(573) 642-3361  
<http://www.westminster-mo.edu>

William Jewell College  
500 College Hill  
Liberty, MO 64068  
(816) 781-7700  
<http://www.jewell.edu>

William Woods University  
One University Avenue  
Fulton, MO 65251  
(800) 995-3159  
<http://www.wmwoods.edu>

## ***PUBLIC TWO-YEAR***

These schools, known as community colleges, are mainly supported by public funds, whose programs traditionally take two years to complete. Linn State Technical College, although a technical school, is included in this category because of its two-year curricula.

Crowder College  
601 Laclede Avenue  
Neosho, MO 64850  
(417) 451-3223  
<http://www.crowder.edu>

East Central College  
1964 Prairie Dell Road  
Union, MO 63084  
(636) 583-5193  
<http://www.eastcentral.edu>

Jefferson College  
1000 Viking Drive  
Hillsboro, MO 63050  
(636) 797-3000  
<http://www.jeffco.edu>

Linn State Technical College  
One Technology Drive  
Linn, MO 65051  
(573) 897-5196  
<http://www.linnstate.edu>

Metro Community College  
Blue Springs  
Kansas City  
Lee's Summit  
Kansas City  
<http://www.kcmetro.cc.mo.us/>

Mineral Area College  
5270 Flat River Road  
Park Hills, MO 63601  
(573) 431-4593  
<http://www.mineralarea.edu>

Moberly Area Community College  
101 College Avenue  
Moberly, MO 65270  
(660) 263-4110  
<http://www.macc.edu>

North Central Missouri College  
1301 Main Street  
Trenton, MO 64683  
(660) 359-3948  
<http://www.ncmissouri.edu>

Ozarks Technical Community College  
1001 East Chestnut Expressway  
Springfield, MO 65802-3625  
(417) 447-7500  
<http://www.otc.edu>

Missouri State University-West Plains  
128 Garfield  
West Plains, MO 65775  
(417) 255-7255  
<http://www.missouristate.edu>

St. Charles Community College  
4601 Mid Rivers Mall Drive  
St. Peters, MO 63376  
(636) 922-8000  
<http://www.stchas.edu>

St. Louis Community College  
Florissant Valley  
Forest Park  
Meramec  
<http://www.stlcc.cc.mo.us/>

State Fair Community College  
3201 W. 16th Street  
Sedalia, MO 65301  
(314) 530-5800  
<http://www.sfcc.cc.mo.us>

Three Rivers Community College  
Three Rivers Boulevard  
Poplar Bluff, MO 63901  
(877) TRY TRCC  
<http://www.trcc.edu>





## ***PUBLIC FOUR-YEAR***

These schools are mainly supported by public funds, whose programs traditionally take four years to complete. The University of Missouri, with three campuses and its flagship in Columbia, is one of the most comprehensive and prestigious 4-years institutions in the United States and the largest in the state.

Central Missouri State University P.O. Box 800 Warrensburg, MO 64093 (660) 543-4111 <a href="http://www.cmsu.edu">http://www.cmsu.edu</a>	Missouri Western State University 4525 Downs Drive St. Joseph, MO 64507 (816) 271-4200 <a href="http://www.mwsc.edu">http://www.mwsc.edu</a>	Truman State University 100 East Normal Kirksville, MO 63501 (660) 785-4000 <a href="http://www.truman.edu">http://www.truman.edu</a>	University of Missouri-St. Louis 8001 Natural Bridge Road St. Louis, MO 63121 (314) 516-5000 <a href="http://www.umsu.edu">http://www.umsu.edu</a>
Harris-Stowe State University 3026 Laclede Avenue St. Louis, MO 63103 (314) 340-3300 <a href="http://www.hssc.edu">http://www.hssc.edu</a>	Northwest Missouri State University 800 University Drive Maryville, MO 64468 (800) 633-1175 <a href="http://www.nwmissouri.edu">http://www.nwmissouri.edu</a>	University of Missouri-Columbia 105 Jesse Hall Columbia, MO 65211 (573) 882-2121 <a href="http://www.missouri.edu">http://www.missouri.edu</a>	
Lincoln University 820 Chestnut Jefferson City, MO 65101 (800) 521-5052 <a href="http://www.lincolnu.edu">http://www.lincolnu.edu</a>	Southeast Missouri State University One University Plaza Cape Girardeau, MO 63701 (573) 651-2000 <a href="http://www.semo.edu">http://www.semo.edu</a>	University of Missouri-Kansas City 5100 Rockhill Road Kansas City, MO 64110 (816) 235-1000 <a href="http://www.umkc.edu">http://www.umkc.edu</a>	
Missouri Southern St. Univ.-Joplin 3950 E. Newman Road Joplin, MO 64801 (866) 818-6778 <a href="http://www.mssu.edu">http://www.mssu.edu</a>	Missouri State University 901 South National Avenue Springfield, MO 65897 (417) 836-5000 <a href="http://www.missouristate.edu">http://www.missouristate.edu</a>	University of Missouri-Rolla 206 Parker Hall Rolla, MO 65409 (573) 341-4111 <a href="http://www.umsr.edu">http://www.umsr.edu</a>	

## ***THEOLOGICAL/PROPRIETARY***

Theological schools, usually private, feature programs focusing on religion or religious studies. There are over 150 privately owned and controlled schools and out-of-state institutions in Missouri. Courses of study range from taxes and taxidermy to aviation and auctioneering. Also known as private career schools, many of these schools offer degree or less than degree level programs.

*For complete listings, go to:*

<http://www.dhe.mo.gov/degreeesearch.shtml>

## ***CAREER TECHNICAL***

These institutions typically offer career-oriented coursework and enable students to earn a certificate of completion during a six-18 month time frame. Much of the instruction in these types of schools is hands on and you will enjoy the benefit of a small class with plenty of individual attention. Certificates can be earned in numerous fields including truck driving, auto mechanics, electricians, paralegals, computer programming and heavy machinery operators, to name a few. In addition to accelerated programs, a wide variety of career paths and individual attention, most career technical schools are much less costly than other higher education options.

*For a list of career technical schools, visit the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education website at:*  
**[http://dese.mo.gov/links/School Home Pages/Career Technical Schools/](http://dese.mo.gov/links/School_Home_Pages/Career_Technical_Schools/)**

## ***APPRENTICESHIPS***

An apprenticeship program is a sound alternative to a four-year degree, especially if you're unsure about college. Apprenticeships offer the best of both worlds – paid work experience and related technical instruction. It's a chance to learn a skilled profession and increase your knowledge and skills while earning a good wage.

Through an apprenticeship, you can gain skills in well-paid occupations like:


**Carpenter    Tool & Die Maker    Bricklayer    Electrician    Firefighter    Chef**

**Machinist    Communications Operator    Truck Driver    Construction Worker**

After completing an apprenticeship, you will not only know the industry, your wages will be proportionate to your newly acquired workplace skills. As your skills increase, your wages and marketability will increase accordingly. Investigate the industry you'd like to apprentice with. You'd be surprised how many offer apprenticeships.







## *Apprenticeship Resources*

- Registered Apprentice Program

*The U.S. Department of Labor's Registered Apprenticeship website offers contacts, links and tools for individuals interested in pursuing an apprenticeship.*

**[www.doleta.gov/atels-bat](http://www.doleta.gov/atels-bat)**

- Great Hires

*Missouri's on-line job resource offers apprenticeship opportunities.*

**[www.greathires.org/mech/owa/dese.site?x\\_mts=867](http://www.greathires.org/mech/owa/dese.site?x_mts=867)**

- XPDNC Labor Directory

*Features international apprenticeship links.*

**[www.xpdnc.com/links/apprent.html](http://www.xpdnc.com/links/apprent.html)**

## ***GED***

Many people who did not finish high school have knowledge and skills comparable to people who did graduate. The GED (General Educational Development) test is a battery of five multiple-choice tests that ask questions about subjects covered in high school. The exam covers reading, mathematics, social studies, science and writing skills. The writing skills portion includes a 200-word essay. The exam takes about seven hours to complete.

Most colleges and employers accept a GED certificate as being equivalent to a high school diploma. The GED test is given throughout Missouri, and each year more than 10,000 Missouri residents earn their GED.

*Only those who are at least 16 years old and no longer enrolled in high school are eligible to take the GED test.*

[http://dese.mo.gov/divcareered/ged\\_index.htm](http://dese.mo.gov/divcareered/ged_index.htm)

### ***GED Facts***

- One out of every seven people who receive high school diplomas each year earns that diploma by passing the GED tests.
- Ninety percent of colleges and universities recognize the GED. Passing the GED tests puts a person in the upper 25th percentile in terms of class rank, and lets colleges know the person has the skills and knowledge equivalent to applicants from traditional high schools.
- More than 95 percent of employers nationwide employ GED graduates on the same basis as high school graduates in terms of hiring, salary, and opportunity for advancement.
- Sixty-five percent of GED test-takers plan to enter college, a university, trade or technical school, or business school during the next year.
- The average age of persons taking the GED tests is 24.7 years old.

## ***ADULT EDUCATION & LITERACY***

Adult Education & Literacy instruction is designed to teach persons 16 years of age or older to read and write English and to substantially raise their educational level.

The purpose of the program is to expand the educational opportunities for adults and to establish programs that will enable all adults to acquire the basic skills necessary to function in society, allowing them to secure training to become more employable, productive and responsible citizens. This type of instruction will allow adults to continue their education through completion of secondary school.

*The contact information for each of the 43 Missouri Adult Education Programs can be found at:*

[http://dese.mo.gov/divcareered/acl\\_mo\\_program.htm](http://dese.mo.gov/divcareered/acl_mo_program.htm)

## ***MILITARY***

The military can provide numerous occupational options for those who do not wish to enter higher education or the civilian workforce immediately. The military can provide you with highly valuable, real-world, hands-on training and instruction in careers ranging from computer programming to pharmacology. Joining the military may also provide you with travel opportunities and international experience. If you're looking for ways to afford an education, Uncle Sam can help. Being a member of the United States armed forces entitles you to job training, 100% tuition reimbursement, continuing education, financial aid, loan repayment, health care, retirement and a host of other benefits.

### ***Air Force***

The US Air Force offers more than a hundred jobs, from pilot to engineer, doctor and nurse. Like all branches of the Armed Forces, the Air Force provides you with real-life work experience and advances your education, whether you're in high school or already in college. The Community College of the Air Force is the only degree-granting institution of higher learning in the world dedicated exclusively to enlisted people – leading to a job-related, two-year Associate in Applied Science degree.

[www.airforce.com](http://www.airforce.com)

### ***Army***

What career paths does the Army offer? Administration and support, combat, computers and technology, intelligence and combat support, legal and law enforcement, mechanics, medical and emergency, transportation and aviation, even training as a broadcast technician, graphic designer, translator, journalist or musician. The US Army offers programs to help you pay for college, pay off existing student loans while enlisted, attend one of over 1,600 community colleges and four-year universities during army service, even go to a virtual college while enlisted, at eArmyU.

[www.goarmy.com](http://www.goarmy.com)

### ***Coast Guard***

With careers in communications, maritime operations, electronics, engine maintenance, aviation mechanics, the Coast Guard can help defray the cost of a career education through the Montgomery GI Bill or the College Student Pre-Commissioning Initiative, a scholarship program for college sophomores. The Initiative provides full payment of school tuition, fees, textbooks, a \$2,000 monthly salary, medical insurance and other benefits during a student's junior and senior year of college.

[www.gocoastguard.com](http://www.gocoastguard.com)

### ***Marine Corps***

The Marine Corps College Fund, in combination with the Montgomery GI Bill, provides almost all funding necessary for a college education. The Corps also offers the Service Members Opportunity Colleges degree program for active duty members. The website lets you select your current educational status – high school student or graduate, college student or graduate—to see the available occupations.

[www.marines.com](http://www.marines.com)

### ***Navy***

What's a sailor? These days, a nuclear propulsion officer, avionics specialist, nurse, etc. The navy has several education programs and benefits, including more than \$15,000 for the Navy College Fund, the Service Members Opportunity Colleges degree program, the Navy College Program for Afloat College Education and the Navy College Assistance/Student Headstart (CASH) program, which offers full pay and benefits while attending college. The Navy's site also lets you tailor occupation to education.

[www.navyjobs.com](http://www.navyjobs.com)

## ***FINANCING***

*Financing your education need not involve working three jobs or overtime for years. Numerous federal, state and private programs offer outright grants, loans, tuition assistance and work-study programs. The programs listed below are only a sample; chances are there's assistance whatever your age, background or interest. Look into any financial aid carefully; state and federal student financial aid amounts can change. For more, go to the Career OneStop Financial Aid Center at:*

**<http://www.careeronestop.org/FINANCIAL/FinancialAidHome.asp>**

*The U.S. Department of Education lets users apply online for financial aid on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) website at:*  
**<http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>**

*Another great resource for student scholarships is the **Broke Scholar** website. Members of this free service can search and apply to 650,000 scholarships totaling billions of scholarship and grant dollars. Fill out the personal profile and they can match your profile to scholarships that apply specifically to you. **Broke Scholar** can be found at:*

**<http://brokescholar.com/>**

Additional financial grant, loan and scholarship programs are listed below.

### **FEDERAL PELL GRANT PROGRAM**

A nationwide, federal program. Funding varies.

### **FEDERAL PERKINS LOANS**

Must be Missouri resident and enrolled full-time in approved Missouri school; up to \$40,000.

### **MISSOURI COLLEGE GUARANTEE**

A need-based program for Missouri residents; award based on University of Missouri fees.

### **FEDERAL PLUS LOANS FOR PARENTS**

Loans for parents not to exceed 10 percent. No limit, but loan may not exceed cost of attendance.

### **SUBSIDIZED FEDERAL STAFFORD LOAN**

Enables students and their families to borrow low-interest loans directly from approved lending institutions. Maximum \$2,625 for freshman year, \$3,500 for sophomore, \$5,500 for junior and senior. Federal government pays interest.

### **UNSUBSIDIZED FEDERAL STAFFORD**

Same as subsidized, but borrower pays interest.

### **CHARLES GALLAGHER STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

For Missouri residents. Up to \$1,500.

**MISSOURI TEACHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

Must be Missouri resident. One-time scholarship of \$2,000 for students who choose teaching careers only.

**MISSOURI HIGHER EDUCATION ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM** \$2,000 merit award for top 3% of Missouri students based on American College Test (ACT) or the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) scores.

**MARGUERITE ROSS BARNETT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Scholarship for employed students; amount varies.

**MISSOURI SAVINGS FOR TUITION (MOST) PROGRAM**

State- and Federal tax-deferred college savings program. Anyone - parent, grandparent, relative – can open and contribute to a MOST account. \$8,000 annual maximum, lifetime account maximum of \$235,000.

**FEDERAL SUPPLEMENTAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY GRANTS**

For undergraduates who can demonstrate exceptional financial need. Gives priority to students who receive Federal Pell Grants. Up to \$4,000.

**FEDERAL COLLEGE WORK-STUDY PROGRAM**

Provides jobs for undergraduate and graduate students. Wage varies, but must be at least minimum wage.



